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COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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MUMBAI FPO
MOHAN PONNUSWAMY

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that Mumbai Foreign Post Office had refused to accept any mail to US Capital since November 2001 to January 2002 ;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ; and

(c) the action taken by the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SIKDAR)

(a) Booking of EMS articles remained suspended at Mumbai GPO and post offices in the country only for the period 20/11/2001 to 30/11/2001 for addresses in Washington DC in Postal codes (Zip Codes) 202 to 205 on the specific request of the US Postal Administration. Normal services were restored thereafter. Except for the suspension of EMS for the specified period explained, Mumbai Foreign Post office did not refuse to accept mails for the US Capital during November 2001 to January 2002During this period it booked 205 articles including EMS articles for USA and duly despatched these.

(b)&(c) The services to the specified areas were suspended as per specific request of US Postal administration and were also duly restored immediately after the period of suspension.